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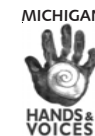
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**2005 Michigan Early Hearing  
Interventionists/Parents Conference**  
*Connecting Communities...Putting Families First*

**Thursday, March 17, 2005**  
**Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center**  
**Michigan State University**  
**East Lansing, Michigan**

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**Registration Deadline:**  
**February 24, 2005**

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## Program Highlights

### Welcome

The Michigan Department of Community Health, Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program (EHDI) is excited to announce Michigan's second annual Early Hearing Interventionists/Parents Conference. The conference planning committee worked diligently to plan comprehensive workshop sessions and its selection of speakers, as well as providing time for networking that will benefit both early interventionists and families of young children with hearing loss.

### We Give Special Thanks to ...

Maternal Child Health Bureau for conference funding  
Michigan Hands & Voices for conference sponsorship  
MPHI's CRHOP - Education and Training for conference coordination  
We look forward to your participation!

Sincerely,

*Michigan Early Hearing Interventionists/Parents Conference  
Planning Committee and Grant Review Team*

### Conference Goals and Purpose

The goals of the MDCH/EHDI 2005 Michigan Early Interventionists/Parents Conference are to increase the skill and knowledge base of childhood specialists who work with children with hearing loss and their families and to provide an opportunity for families to learn about early intervention services. The ultimate purpose of training is to improve hearing health care service delivery for the 0-5 year old population and their families.

### Target Audience

These sessions are intended for families of young children with hearing loss and professionals (Audiologists, Speech Pathologists, Early On staff, and others) who work with children and families of young children with hearing loss for the 0-5 year old population.

### Objectives

This conference will meet National EHDI Goal 3, Objective 2: States will provide opportunities to Part C and other intervention service providers to receive training on specific issues related to deafness and hearing loss.

## Registration Information

To register for this conference, please complete the registration form insert and mail or fax the form to our office by **February 24, 2005**. To register online visit:

**[www.mphi.eductrng.net](http://www.mphi.eductrng.net)**

The cost for a parent with a young child with hearing loss is **\$30.00**. The cost for families (limited to 2 persons) with young children with hearing loss is **\$50.00**, (each additional family member is **\$20.00**). The cost for professionals or those that work with young children with hearing loss is **\$75.00**. Registration includes: continental breakfast, hot lunch and conference materials. Payment is due upon registration or at the conference.

All participants who register in advance will receive a confirmation letter, including a map and directions. **If you do not receive a confirmation letter by March 3, 2005 please call (517) 324-8366.**

**Space is limited! Register early to ensure a spot at the conference!**

Casual attire is recommended. The conference center and room temperatures will vary, therefore, it is recommended you dress in layers.

Written cancellations are due 5 business days before the conference for a full refund. Please email or fax to: [cdoerfle@mphi.org](mailto:cdoerfle@mphi.org) or (517) 324-6080. Cancellations received after March 10 are subject to the full conference fee.

## Location & Lodging

The host hotel for the 2005 Michigan Early Hearing Interventionists/Parents Conference is the **Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center** located at Michigan State University in East Lansing. *Reservations must be made with the Kellogg Center by February 13 to receive special overnight conference rates.*

To make room reservations, individuals must call the Kellogg Center at (517) 432-4000. Make sure to mention that you are with the **"MPHI - Early Hearing Conference"** or under block-code, **"MI-Public"** to assure the special overnight rate of \$89.00. There is a fee for parking. Validation will be provided at registration.

Conference attendees are responsible for their individual room reservations and cost. To qualify for the 6% sales tax exemption, please provide the hotel with a copy of your agency's sales tax exemption certificate at check in. PLEASE NOTE: Payment must be made with company check or credit card to qualify for the exemption.

## Special Accommodations

The Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center is fully accessible to the public as required by the Americans with Disabilities Accessibility Guidelines. Reasonable accommodations will be granted if given two weeks prior to the event. Please call (517) 324-8366 to make requests.

## AGENDA

- 7:30 - 5:00 p.m.      **Registration Desk Open**
- 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.      **Welcome**  
 Brenda Fink, ACSW, Director  
*Michigan Department of Community Health,  
 Division of Family and Community Health,  
 Bureau of Family, Maternal and Child Health*
- 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.      **Opening Plenary**  
**Home Visits**  
 Christine Yoshinaga-Itano, PhD, CCC-A  
*University of Colorado,  
 Speech Language & Hearing Sciences*  
 Dr. Yoshinaga-Itano will present a family-centered approach to home visits and assessment, that will focus on what parents and interventionists should know about hearing loss and the impact diagnosis can have on early childhood development.
- 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.      **Break & Visit Exhibits**
- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.      **Concurrent Sessions**
- A1 Auditory Development for Parents**  
 Ashley Garber, MS, CCC-SLP  
*Listening & Language Connections*  
 Gain a better understanding of auditory development in infants, toddlers and children. This session will present options available to parents and families with deaf or hard of hearing children.
- A2 Assessment Tools & Approaches**  
 Christine Yoshinaga-Itano, PhD, CCC-A  
*University of Colorado,  
 Speech Language & Hearing Sciences*  
 Assessment tools and approaches available to interventionists when conducting home visits will be discussed.

## AGENDA

- A3 Communication Options**  
 Nancy Mosher  
*Bloomfield Hills Schools,  
 Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program*  
 Choosing the best communication method and option is crucial for development. A non-bias discussion of communication methods and options available to parents and professionals will be discussed.
- 11:30 - 1:00 p.m.      **Group Luncheon**  
**Genetics of Hearing Loss: Lessons from the Laboratory**  
 Jill Elfenbein, PhD, CCC-SLP/A  
*Michigan State University,  
 Department of Audiology and Speech Sciences*  
 This presentation will focus on the application of current genetics research to the diagnosis and treatment of children with hearing losses. Emphasis will be placed on the roles of genetic counseling and genetic testing in giving families access to this information.
- 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.      **Networking & Visit Exhibits**
- 1:30 - 2:15 p.m.      **General Session**  
**Infant Attachment and Bonding Issues**  
 Speaker TBD  
 This session will discuss infant mental health and the issues related to infant attachment and bonding.
- 2:15 - 2:30 p.m.      **Break & Prize Giveaways**
- 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.      **Concurrent Sessions**
- B1 Milestones - What Parents Should Know**  
 Christine Yoshinaga-Itano, PhD, CCC-A  
*University of Colorado,  
 Speech Language & Hearing Sciences*  
 What are the developmental milestones that parents should be aware of? Dr. Yoshinaga-Itano will discuss assessment tools and resources available to parents when home visits are being conducted.

## AGENDA

### B2 Auditory Development for Interventionists

Ashley Garber, MS, CCC-SLP

*Listening & Language Connections*

Present curriculum plans to interventionists and professionals will be shared which includes important keys for encouraging clients through development. Developmental activities that encourage families and interventionists to work together will also be discussed.

### B3 Deaf Culture Panel Discussion

Sheri Ann Garnand

Marika Blumerick

This session will provide a greater understanding of deaf culture and breaking the barriers often associated with adults who are hard of hearing or deaf. This session will also focus on resources available to families with children and opportunities for community involvement.

4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

### Closing Plenary Paws for a Cause

Ellen Milne

*North Elementary School, Lansing School District*

The nationally known organization, *Paws for a Cause*, is an alternative assistive method available to families with deaf or hard of hearing children. The program encourages independence and lifetime support. This interactive session will discuss the criteria and application process. Time will be allowed for questions.

4:30 - 4:45 p.m.

### Wrap up & Evaluation

## Keynote Speakers

### Christine Yoshinaga-Itano, PhD, CCC-A

is a teacher in the area of aural habilitation in the field of audiology. She teaches coursework related to the habilitation and rehabilitation of hearing-impaired individuals from birth through geriatrics. Dr. Yoshinaga-Itano has the responsibility of teaching both undergraduate and graduate coursework in language acquisition, pediatric audiology and communication skills for the hearing-impaired. She has also worked to develop a clinical program for hearing-impaired individuals of all ages, specifically for the clinical training of our graduate and undergraduate students. Her particular area of expertise makes her a bridge between audiology and speech/language pathology.

### Jill Elfenbein, PhD, CCC-SLP/A

is a teacher in the Department of Audiology and Speech Sciences at Michigan State University. Her clinical work focuses on communication skill development in young children who have hearing impairments. Her research interests include genetics as well as audiologic rehabilitation. Dr. Elfenbein is a member of an MSU team that is researching the genetic causes of hearing loss and finding ways to improve the public's understanding of genetic information.

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Agency \_\_\_\_\_  
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## FEES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I am a parent with a child with hearing loss    | <b>\$30.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (2 persons) of a child with hearing loss | <b>\$50.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I work with individuals with hearing loss       | <b>\$75.00</b> |
| Total Fee  | \$_____        |

## PAYMENT METHOD *Payments must be received in advance or on the day of the conference*

- ☐ Payment Enclosed ☐ Payment at Conference

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## SPECIAL NEEDS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I require a vegetarian meal | <input type="checkbox"/> Other special needs – call MPH           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreter<br>type _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Assistive listening device<br>type _____ |

*Reasonable accommodations will be granted if request is received by March 3, 2005.*

## CONCURRENT SESSION SELECTIONS

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Please send completed registration form with check payable to:

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Registration may be faxed to Teresa Scott at (517) 324-6080.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please call MPH offices at (517) 324-8366.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 24, 2005**